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B. Project Planning

Some planning was done in the Europe Branch on a possible GM or MR article on the distribution of the Soviet fishing fleet in the North Atlantic.

Further thinking has been done on that portion of the Near East/Africa Branch's Program for Africa that deals with the establishment of an Africa Committee. A draft memorandum has been prepared with the assistance of Ch/G.

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Special Research Branch: Extensive effort was devoted to Antarctic intelligence production and the preparation of briefing papers for the DCI and DD/I in connection with high-level studies of Antarctic problems. Other production included the preparation of two papers on the geodetic positioning problem for the DCI, and the participation with D/M in the redrafting of an article on Soviet whaling for the OCI Weekly.

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Editing and Review Staff: The completion of Geographic Intelligence Review No. 57 (issued as MR 59-1), which was sent to R production as the month ended, and work on China Mainland: Provisional Atlas of Administrative Units consumed a major part of the editorial time of the Staff during February. Three other manuscripts are in editing, two of which should be ready for final typing early in March. MR 59-1 will appear in new format with the contents listed on the cover.

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The coordination of Chapter IX for NIS 102, Southwest Pacific Islands, has been delayed because of pressure of immediate Section 19 and Section 19 Annual deadlines. Coordination of Chapter IX of NIS 13 is well under way, and work on Chapter IX of NIS 101, West Pacific Islands, was begun during February.

II. RELATIONSHIPS OUTSIDE THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA

At NIS Committee Meeting No. 284 (17 February 1959), the Chapter IX Subcommittee proposals concerning production of Sections 19 and the Section 19 portions of the Chapter I Annuals were approved. Details of these proposals were covered in the Division monthly report for January and the minutes of the 30 January 1959 Chapter IX Subcommittee meeting.

25X1A9A [Redacted] accompanied the DCI and the DD/I to meetings of the Operations Coordinating Board and the Planning Board, NSC, respectively.

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